



Marvin Elementary School

News from Mrs. O'Shea, the Principal

May 2019

May is jammed packed with events, field trips, AND assessments. (Please read newsletters from your teacher and make note of grade level events.)

Events

Our most important event of the year occurs this Friday, May 3rd. The Marvin School Walk-a-thon gets students away from electronics and provides the PTA with funds they will use to bring a variety of enrichment activities to Marvin.

- While everyone is unable to raise money on a large-scale basis, every dollar counts.
- Pledge sheets may be turned in until May 10th.

Field Trips

As teachers send home field trip permission slips, please return them to school as soon as possible.

- We try to keep the cost of all field trips so they will not create too much of a financial strain, but if you find yourself in need of assistance, please let your teacher know.

Assessments

Testing Information for May

- SBAC testing for students in grades 3 – 5 will take place between May 13th – May 31st,
- mClass DIBELS EOY testing window for grades K – 3 will take place between April 29th – May 10th. Results from this test will determine which K – 3rd grade students will attend Summer School.

Later this month teachers will be working on creating class lists for the upcoming school year.

- Please understand that many factors go into creating well-balanced classes.
- Assignment letters will be mailed to homes in August.
- Please let the office know if your child will NOT be attending Marvin next year.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
MAY		1 B	2 C	3 D Walk-a-thon
6 A	7 B	8 C	9 D Ice Cream Social Art Show	10 A Marvin Spirit Day
← Teacher Appreciation Week →				
13 B	14 C	15 D	16 A Spring Concert	17 B Marvin Spirit Day
19 C	20 D	21 A	22 B	23 C Marvin Spirit Day
27 D Memorial Day No School	28 A Talent Show	29 B	30 C Field Day K - 2	31 D Field Day 3 - 5

One of the incentives being promoted for the Walk-a-thon is a Day of Play. Now we won't be having a **whole** day of play, but students will be involved in a variety of games for about 90 minutes. These games will not involve electricity or batteries – so no PlayStation, Xbox, hand-held electronics, phones, etc.

You may wonder, why would we promote playing during the school day? Through observation we have found:

- some students do not know how to play with a purpose;
- some students don't know how to win OR lose gracefully;
- some children do not know the rules of most board games.

Teachers will be leading students during their play. They will demonstrate the appropriate level of competition and sportsmanship.

Students will be encouraged to be use their imagination and most importantly, **have fun!!**